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U N I V E R S I T Y

November 12, 1969

Mr. Sam Emerick  
Yokefellow Institute  
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Dear Sam:

Things have been so involved and complex here at the Highland congregation this fall that I have had no time to plan the proposed December retreat. I would like nothing better than to have brought the same group back to Richmond that we had there in June. Unfortunately, time simply will not permit it now.

I noticed the plans for the Yokefellow Institute through the end of the year. They sound exciting. I hope to make at least one or more of the events you have scheduled but cannot make a decision at this moment regarding which it will be.

The ferment is working here at Highland. Mr. Randy Becton, whom you remember from our June group, and who returned for your small group conference this summer, is working with small group training right now among our members. Please pray with us that this will light a new fire in the midst of the Highland church.

Thank you again for your cordial letter. I regret that we cannot get things arranged at this moment for the December retreat. In a few days I want to send you a description of a new book review service. In that mailing will also be an invitation for you to become one of our select "Reviewers-at-large?" I hope you will give it serious consideration.

Sincerely yours,

John Allen Chalk

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October 31, 1969

The Rev. John Allen Chalk  
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Dear John Allen,

I've wondered how plans might be coming along for the next retreat. We have hope to be able to reserve the time for you, and to give everything we have to the event.

We've had a full fall period. We believe the Spirit is doing a "new thing" in our time. We are glad to have some part in that. The ferment spreads, and there may be a new breed of Christian coming out of the stir.

Best wishes to you as you carry on for Him in your new responsibilities and opportunities.

Very cordially,

Sam Emerick  
Director

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